



Delaware Coalition for Injury Prevention

September 11, 2014 1:30 – 3:30 pm

Public Health Training Center

Edgehill Shopping Center, Dover, Delaware

TOPICS	LEADER	DISCUSSION
Welcome and Introductions	J. Whaley M.S. Jones	The Coalition meeting was called to order at 1:35 pm. Those present introduced themselves.
Review of minutes	J. Whaley	After review, a motion for approval was made by M. O'Malley and seconded by M. LeNoir; minutes were approved.
PRESENTATION Overview of the South by Southwest Injury Prevention Network Webinar on the Heads Up Program	K. Boyer, MSN,RN, CCRN, M. LeNoir	The webinar by Kelly Sarmiento was an introduction to the Heads Up Program, which the CDC developed to help ensure the health and safety of young athletes. This initiative offers information about concussions to coaches, parents, and athletes involved in youth sports. Concussions have different manifestations depending on the individual and the impact. This resource is user friendly and very thorough. The website provides information, individuals' stories and tools to easily disseminate the information. These can be used in presentations by professionals, parents and students. It also provides training for coaches in recognizing concussions and items for their use to reinforce the training. Federal and state laws have been passed regarding post-concussion care and time lines for return to play, school and/or work. The Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association (DIAA) is very proactive about concussion prevention. This association consists of 90 schools (41 high schools, 34 middle schools and 15 K-12 schools) encompassing 105 athletic programs.
COALITION UPDATES Fall Prevention Jingles Interactive Delaware Data Maps Update Attendance Survey Team Webpage Development Status	P. Mack M.S. Jones M.S. Jones J. Whaley M. O'Malley	The three musical jingles that were created by Delawareans were shown to the members present at the meeting. The goal is to take the amateur productions and create one or more professional PSAs that would be more usable for stakeholders. The goal is to have the PSAs ready for May 2015, Older American Month. A possible partnership with one of the Polytech High Schools' media program is being investigated by P. Mack and A. Owen. The pilot program for this project will be falls data throughout the state. D. Curtis is to obtain the 2013 data from the Trauma System Registry and forward it to J. Lombardo. A. Barnes will create the map using the data. After the initial falls map, other teams would be able to forward data for map creation. There was some input to the attendance survey to change to a morning meeting. An effort to change the June 2015 meeting will be attempted. Another suggestion was for the Coalition to focus on a specific event or activity twice a year and invite partners that would be interested in the focus of that event. Would it be possible to research the option of accessing the meeting through computers, a web meeting, instead of using the phone? It is very difficult to hear using the current phone system. All the pages of the website are formatted to the state system and are being reviewed. The files were accessed and meeting attendees were able to view the web pages. The goal is that by the end of the year the pages can be accessed by all. The first update will be scheduled shortly after that time for members to submit additions and changes to their webpages.
TEAM UPDATES <i>Violence Intervention and Prevention Coordinator, CCHS</i>	K. Boyer	Christiana Care Health System has hired Chaz Molins as the Violence Intervention and Prevention Coordinator. He will work with the staff of the Cease Violence intervention program, modeled after the Cure Violence program in Chicago. The program consists of four interrupters and four outreach workers who mediate conflicts between those most likely to be a victim or perpetrator. The goal is to change group norms that encourage violent behavior and to prevent retaliation. The program's success hinges on the street credibility of those workers earning the community's respect and being a resource that residents are willing to use. The communities have accepted the interrupters and the support from the communities has been extraordinary.

<p><i>Violence Injury Prevention Team</i></p>	<p>A. Owen</p> <p>C. Will</p>	<p>October is Bullying Prevention Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month. On October 16th, Delaware Coalition Against Domestic Violence's annual public awareness event, The Purple Ribbon Event, takes place in Wilmington. September 23rd is the Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims Event in Wilmington and a Domestic Violence 101 Training Class will take place in Dover. The police-escorted 11th annual Delaware State Police Motorcycle Ride for Domestic Violence Awareness will take place on October 11th. Shoe cards with domestic violence information purchased by the Coalition with Rural Health funding will be distributed. The Verizon store in Dover will collect cell phones to clean and reprogram and distribute to domestic violence victims, during October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month.</p> <p>To further help domestic violence victims, new alliances are being mined for the development of economic empowerment programs. A partnership between Beebe Hospital and addiction treatment clinics in the area that assist domestic violence victims are creating a program that focuses on pregnant victims that have or had an addiction problem. It is an incentive program whose emphasis is in engaging pregnant women who do not receive regular prenatal care and are at an elevated risk for having a low birth weight baby or premature birth - potential causes of infant mortality. In exchange for keeping clinic appointments, practicing healthy behaviors and attending classes during pregnancy, participants earn points that may be used for items that they will need for their babies. Another focus in October is Stewards of Children, an ongoing prevention training program that teaches adults how to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse. Under Delaware law, every adult has a mandatory obligation to report suspected child abuse to authorities. All reports of child abuse and neglect in Delaware should be made to the 24 hour Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline at 1-800-292-9582. This Delaware initiative, which began in 2011, empowers adults to talk to children about what's going on in their lives and identify potential risks to their safety.</p>
<p><i>Falls Injury Prevention Team</i></p>	<p>C. Oakes</p> <p>D. Vandiver</p>	<p>The Governor issued a proclamation stating that September 23rd is Fall Prevention Awareness Day. An article on preventing falls was submitted by the Falls Team and published in <u><i>Vital!</i></u> Magazine. It is a free monthly magazine available in drug stores, libraries, senior living facilities and centers, and at the Modern Maturity Center. If you have an article focusing on seniors or adults with physical disabilities for publication send it to C. Oakes.</p> <p>RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) is offering a new program, Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance. The program was developed by a team of researchers at the Oregon Research Institute in 2004. Research has shown that people who complete the program are half as likely to fall and less fearful about falling. Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance helps older adults improve their balance and reduce the likelihood of falling. Participants should practice the program at least twice a week for 24 weeks.</p>
<p><i>Traumatic Brain and Spinal Injury Prevention Team</i></p>	<p>K. Boyer</p>	<p>A. I. duPont Hospital, Christiana Care Health Services, and the Delaware Emergency Nurses Association will be showing <u><i>Head Games</i></u> at the Middletown Emergency Department on September 24th. It is an award- winning concussion documentary. Medical experts on the subject will be available to answer questions. A handout about the event is available.</p>

<i>Dog Bite Injury Prevention Team</i>	C. Martin (per report) M.S. Jones	On July 26th, volunteers from Mispillion Kennel participated at the Delaware State Fair “Meet and Greet the Breeds”. This event is a collaboration between multiple dog groups including the Mispillion Kennel Club, the Wilmington Kennel Club, Talbot Kennel Club, the Delaware SPCA (Georgetown), and the First State Animal Center (Dover). Posters with information regarding canine behaviors were displayed. “ <i>Be A Dog Listener</i> ” booklets from the American Kennel Club were distributed. The booklets contain information about meeting and greeting dogs. Demonstrations on dog behaviors and question and answer sessions were held. Approximately 500 spectators attended. On Sept 6 th , at the Milford Riverwalk Festival, dog bite prevention safety posters were displayed by the Mispillion Kennel Club volunteers. Information pertaining to dog bite prevention, such as being a responsible dog owner, the importance of proper care and training was disseminated to the public. WAIT demonstrations were given to children. The acronym WAIT represents W-Wait before approaching a dog, A-Ask permission from the owner, I-Invite the dog (make a fist) to sniff and T-Touch (when comfortable with all of the above); pet the dog. Approximately 700 attendees were at the festival. There are 2 fact sheets available on the back table regarding dog bite prevention.
<i>Fire/Smoke Injury Prevention Team</i>	M. O’Malley	Fire Safety Week is October 5 th through the 11 th .
<i>Motor Vehicle Injury Prevention Team</i>	J. Whaley M. O’Malley M. S. Jones	Beebe is launching a campaign about the dangers of texting and driving. New signage supporting the campaign will be visible at the hospital and at events. Child Passenger Safety Week is September 14 th through the 20 th . Some child car seat safety checks are scheduled. On the 20 th , Child Seat Saturday will be held at the Dover DMV office and on the 19 th a car seat safety check will be held at Christiana Hospital. The handout “ <i>Rider’s choice not a choice for all</i> ” is a public commentary on the effects on families making the choice not to wear a motorcycle helmet.
<i>Drowning/Submersion Injury Prevention Team</i>	J. Whaley	The Team is in the process of creating partnerships with other groups interested in preventing drowning and submersion injuries.
<i>Poisoning and Prescription Drugs Abuse Injury Prevention Team</i>	K. Massey (per report)	An invitation was shared to participate in the PDAC (Prescription Drug Action Committee) Public Meeting on Monday, September 15 th at the Medical Society of Delaware in Newark. All are welcome.
<i>Growing the Coalition</i>	C. Will M. Dubinski M.S. Jones	An invitation to join the Coalition was extended to Melinda Dubinski, a project coordinator with Turning Point at People’s Place. A five year grant funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is looking at violence as a public health issue. The DELTA FOCUS grant utilizes a public health framework for the primary prevention of intimate partner violence and teen dating violence. Turning Point offers a broad range of services throughout Kent and Sussex Counties for domestic violence offenders and victims and children affected by domestic violence. Offenders are referred most often by the courts and the Delaware Division of Family Services (DFS). Turning Point is a DVCC (Domestic Violence Coordinating Council) certified program and provides batterer intervention. The REAL Relationship project is being funded by the CDC grant. R.E.A.L. stands for “Relationship Education And Lifeskills” and is geared toward youths and teenagers. The program promotes respect, equality, acceptance, and love as the norm as a means to prevent dating violence. At each meeting a group or individual whose interests dovetails into the interests of the Coalition and/or the Teams will be invited to attend a Coalition meeting to introduce themselves and their focus on injury prevention. This will be a great resource for information and getting acquainted with others involved in preventing injuries. At this meeting the members

		of the Coalition met M. Dubinski and learned about her program REAL Relationships, which focuses on many of the aspects of injury prevention that coincide with the interests of the Violence Injury Prevention Team. The hope is that the relationship between the two groups will continue to grow in the future. For the meeting in December, Hetti Brown, Director of the DPH Office of Animal Welfare and Captain Sherri Warburton, Director of Delaware Animal Care and Control has accepted an invitation to attend and give their perspective on dog bite injury prevention. Sharing could lead to networking and partnering at its best. Sometime in 2015, an invitation to Chaz Molins and/or Keith Pettiford, who are involved with Christiana Hospital and the Cease Violence Program in Wilmington, will be extended. Please let C. LeComte know about any new partners you would like to invite to join the Coalition. All are welcome.
Coalition Member Agencies News Injury Prevention Coordinators Symposium	K. Boyer M. LeNoir	The Inaugural Injury Prevention Coordinators Symposium and Summit, sponsored by the Trauma Prevention Coalition, was held September 10th in Philadelphia, PA. Over 100 attendees from across the nation were at the meeting. The focuses of the meeting were 1) to find a professional home for Injury Prevention Coordinators, 2) to develop and establish a course curriculum for the Trauma Injury Prevention Coordinator, and 3) to determine courses to offer from injury prevention programs that have been shown to work and are valid for national study. Next steps are coordination of efforts by developing the details of the program, acquiring funding by sending representation from the group to develop a dialogue with hospitals' surgeons and hospital administration about funding, and to determine where to house the position to be able to coordinate injury prevention initiatives by different departments and /or groups serving the community in order to avoid duplication of effort and save resources.
Impact of Marijuana in Colorado	M.S. Jones	The report " <i>The Legalization of Marijuana in Colorado: The Impact</i> " is now available and the link will be shared with Coalition members. This report is educational on how areas such as injuries, Emergency Departments, law enforcement, Emergency Medical Services, trauma departments and schools were affected and how tax money from this source was used, because the legalization of marijuana is being considered in Delaware.
Aging & Disability Resource Center(ADRC)	C. Oakes	The Division of Services for Aging and for Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD) is the statewide repository for resources for aging adults and adults with physical disabilities. The Aging & Disability Resource Center is a one-stop access point for information and services. There are no fees or eligibility requirements. Access can be obtained by calling 1-800-223-9074 or visiting the website www.DelawareADRC.com .
	J. Lombardo	Sussex County is expanding its community-based paramedicine. The addition of an informational booklet on ADRC would be beneficial and informational for the community efforts.
Adjourn	3:52 p.m.	Next scheduled meeting – December 11, 2014 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Meeting location: Public Health Training Center, Edgehill Shopping Center, Dover
Attendees: M. Arford(on phone); K. Boyer; L. Cowan (phone); M. Dubinski; MS. Jones; M. LeNoir; P. Lewis; J. Lombardo; P. Mack(on phone); R. Maskay; C. Oakes; A. Owen; M. O'Malley; J. Shiuh; D. Vandiver; C. Will(on phone); J. Whaley; - Excused: A. Birney; K. Chesser; P. Collins; K. Collison; D. Curtis; T. Hyland; T. Kaminski; C. Martin; K. Massey; J. McCue; K. O'Malley; S. Vogel; - Recorder: C. LeComte		